



## Sheriff Chuck Jenkins

Chuck Jenkins was born and raised in Frederick County, Maryland, one of five children of Gordon and Joy Jenkins. He grew up in Frederick and graduated from Frederick High School in 1974.

Chuck worked in the communications satellite industry for 16 years prior to beginning his law enforcement career in 1990 with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office. Upon completing the Harford County Law Enforcement Training Academy, he worked in the Patrol Division for three years. In 1993 he became a criminal investigator

where his passion for criminal investigations resulted in the closure of many cases. Chuck investigated many local high profile criminal cases, specializing in homicide and death investigations and crimes against persons including sex crimes, child abuse and sexual assault. During this time he also served as a hostage and crisis negotiator and instructor for criminal investigations and firearms training.

In November 2006 Chuck was elected to the Office of Sheriff for Frederick County, the largest county in the State of Maryland. The Frederick County Sheriff's Office is the largest of five full-service law enforcement agencies in Frederick County. As Sheriff, he also oversees the Frederick County Adult Detention Center including central booking and the work release program and security for the Frederick County Courthouse, which encompasses the service of all civil process for the county.

Sheriff Jenkins is currently serving in his second term as Sheriff. He is a 2007 graduate of the National Sheriff's Leadership Institute and he serves on the Border Security Committee

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and Homeland Security Sub-Committee of the National Sheriff's Association. He maintains a strong stance on illegal immigration enforcement and has effectively partnered with ICE to participate in two major programs, the 287g Immigration Enforcement Program and Secure Communities. He was even named by FOX News as "America's second toughest Sheriff on illegal immigration."

He has testified several times before Congressional Sub-Committees on illegal immigration issues. In 2013 he testified before the Maryland Senate Judiciary Committee on the Maryland Firearms Act, and in 2014 his testimony before the Maryland House of Delegate's Judiciary Committee was instrumental in blocking the passage of the Maryland Trust Act.

For the last seven years Jenkins has consistently returned large budget fund balances to the county coffers. Known as the "People's Sheriff" Jenkins prides himself on being accessible and continually in touch with Frederick County citizens. Year round he hosts community meetings throughout the county. He works closely with Frederick County Public Schools as well as other local, state and federal agencies to address public safety issues. He has also implemented criminal enforcement initiatives such as the Frederick County Investigation Task Force and the Pro-Active Criminal Enforcement Unit (P.A.C.E. Unit) to effectively target enforcement efforts in the community.

Sheriff Jenkins is a strong supporter of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment and firearm ownership rights. He remains very active in the local community and is a life member and officer of the Lewistown Volunteer Fire Department as well as many other fire departments and associations. He served seven years on the Republican Central Committee from 1999 to 2006, five of those as the chairman, and has received numerous other public service awards from local organizations including the Distinguished Alumni Award from Frederick High School in 2013 and the President's Medal from Mount Saint Mary's University in 2014. Since 1993 Sheriff Jenkins has resided in Lewistown with his wife Shari and two children, Charles Jr. and Meghan.

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### Current Committees & Affiliations

National Sheriff's Association since 2006  
Immigration and Border Committee  
Homeland Security Sub-Committee  
Maryland Sheriff's Association since 2006  
Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department  
Junior Fire Company #2  
Independent Hose Company  
Lewistown Ruritan Club  
Lewistown Youth Athletic Association  
Frederick County Farm Bureau  
Monocacy Pistol Club of Frederick  
National Rifle Association  
Frederick County Republican Club  
Frederick County Republican Central Committee (year to year)